

## **Bicycles**

**5.395     Application of Traffic Code.** Every person riding a bicycle within the corporate limits of the city shall be subject to the provisions of this chapter applicable to the driver of a motor vehicle, except those provisions which by their very nature can have no application.

*(Section 5.395 added by Ordinance No. 17690, enacted June 28, 1976.)*

### **5.400     Operating Rules.**

- (1)** No person may ride a bicycle on a sidewalk in that area bounded by the eastern sidewalk along Lincoln Street between 8<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> Avenues, the northern sidewalk along 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue between Lincoln and Pearl Streets, on either side of Willamette Street between 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Avenues, the eastern sidewalk along Pearl Street between 8<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> Avenues, on either side of Broadway between Pearl and High Streets, and on the northern sidewalk along 13<sup>th</sup> Avenue between Pearl and Lincoln Streets.
- (2)** No person may park a bicycle in or near a public thoroughfare or place in such a manner as to obstruct traffic or endanger persons or property.
- (3)** A person riding a bicycle
  - (a)** In a lane for vehicular traffic or parking may ride only in the direction legally prescribed there for that traffic.
  - (b)** In a lane for vehicular traffic or parking shall ride as closely to the curb as is safe, but when approaching an intersection where a curb lane is designated "Left Turn" or "Right Turn" shall avoid that lane within 50 feet of the intersection if intending to ride through the intersection without turning.
  - (c)** On a street or alley shall ride in single file with other bicyclists whenever a motor vehicle is approaching within 100 feet to the rear.
  - (d)** On a bicycle path or a sidewalk shall keep as far to the right as is safe, except when overtaking and passing pedestrians and other vehicles, which shall be overtaken and passed only on the left.
- (4)** Peace officers, police community service officers, police volunteers, and parole and probation officers performing official duties are exempt from the provisions of this section.

*(Section 5.400, formerly section 5.410, renumbered and amended by Ordinance No. 17690, enacted June 28, 1976; amended by Ordinance No. 20496, enacted October 8, 2012, effective November 10, 2012; and Ordinance No. 20538, enacted July 28, 2014, effective August 29, 2014.)*

### **5.420     Impounding of Bicycles.**

- (1)** A bicycle left on public property for a period in excess of 24 hours may be impounded by the police department.
- (2)** In addition to any citation issued, a bicycle parked in violation of this chapter may be immediately impounded.

- (3)** If a bicycle impounded under this chapter bears an Oregon driver's license number, or other means of determining its ownership exist, the police shall make reasonable efforts to notify the owner.
- (4)** A bicycle impounded under this chapter which remains unclaimed shall be disposed of in accordance with the city's procedures for disposal of abandoned or lost personal property.

*(Section 5.420, formerly section 5.435, renumbered and amended by Ordinance No. 17690, enacted June 28, 1976; amended by Ordinance No. 18325, enacted January 22, 1979.)*